

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sauvageau et al.
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Title: STEM CELL EXPANSION FACTOR BLOCKING A GENE LIMITING
HOX-INDUCED EXPANSION AND METHOD USING SUCH FACTOR

Mail Stop Amendment
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on January 11, 2008, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the election and remarks as indicated below with traverse. Response to the Office Action is due on May 11, 2008 with a 3-months (3) extension of time. The Applicants submit concurrently a Petition for Extension of Time for 3 months, to and including May 11, 2008, accompanied by the required fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on 8 of this paper.

Petition for an Extension of Time of three-months begins on page 10 of this paper.